

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested in light of the above amendments and the following remarks.

The Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication in the Final Rejection that claims 7 and 8 are allowable. Allowable claim 7 has been rewritten in independent form to include the subject matter of base claim 5. Therefore, allowance of claim 7 and dependent claim 8 is warranted. Claims 1-6 and 9-11 have been canceled.

In view of the above, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

If any issues remain which may best be resolved through a telephone communication, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at the local Washington, D.C. telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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